

# COVID-19 Vaccine Exemption

For Fall 2021, the University Illinois Springfield will be requiring a COVID-19 vaccination for all students on campus.

The University will provide medical and religious exemptions to this vaccination requirement, as provided for under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Americans with Disabilities Act.

## Medical Exemption

Medical Exemptions will be granted to an individual whose physician (must be a primary care provider outside of UIS) documents a diagnosis of one of the [conditions the CDC considers a contraindication for the COVID-19 vaccination](#). Contraindications include a severe allergic reaction after a previous dose or to a component of the COVID-19 vaccine, an immediate allergic reaction of any severity to a previous dose or a known (diagnosed) allergy to any component of the vaccine.

Please keep in mind that the CDC recommends that individuals with most pre-existing conditions receive the vaccine to protect their health and safety. More information from the CDC is available [here](#).

If you would like to submit a request to be granted a medical exemption, please [download this form](#). Both you and your physician will need to complete and sign the appropriate sections. When it is complete, please upload in Medica through the patient portal. The link is provided below.

## Religious Exemption

If you object to the COVID-19 vaccine because it conflicts with your sincerely held religious beliefs and practices, you may apply for a religious exemption.

Your religious exemption request should include why you are seeking a religious exemption and the religious principles that guide your objection to the COVID-19 vaccine.

If you would like to submit a request to be granted a religious exemption, please [download this form](#). You will need to complete and sign the appropriate sections. When it is complete, please upload in Medica through the patient portal. The link is provided below.

**[UPLOAD YOUR COVID-19 VACCINATION EXEMPTION REQUEST FORM](#)**